





RI District 3292 Club No. 23126 Chartered: 29 August 1985

President: Preeti Khemka Past President & Editor: Bijaya Mallapaty Secretary: Rtn. Ganga R. Gautam

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#### **Today's Programme**:

Talk Programme by Ms. Urvasi Basnet, Station Manager of Radio Sagarmatha, on the roles and responsibilities of radio for public.

# Congratulatory Events

Date: 8 Baisakh 2082 / 21 April 2025

#### <u>Birthdays</u>: Nil <u>Wedding Anniversaries</u>:

Rtn. Gopal & Jyoti Dawadi – 20 April Rtn. Jamuna K. & Meera Tamrakar – 21 April

#### Minutes of Meeting No. 1947

### Date: 1 Baisakh 2082 / 14 April 2025

- 1. President Rtn. Preeti Khemka called the RCP's Meeting No. 1947 to order in Bandipur and on Zoom on the Nepali New Year's Day with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for world peace, health, and happiness. The special meeting was held during the RCP family's annual outing trip.
- 2. Guests welcomed by the President: Mr. Surendra Thapa, Gaunpalika Chair, Ms. Panchamaya Gurung, Gaunpalika Vice-Chair, Mr. Bayash Gurung, Coordinator 'Visit Bandipur 2025 Year', PP Rtn. Madan K. Piya, and Mr. Amrit K. Maskey from Bandipur.
- 3. The last meeting minutes of the RCP were reviewed and adopted.
- 4. Happy News Contribution/Pledges:
  - Rtn. Maheswari Bisht Rawal for 'Happy Birthday' celebrations during the trek and in Bandipur, and for a wonderful trekking trip to Ghodepani (Rs.1,000).
  - Rtn. Ganga R. Gautam for 'Happy Birthday', the outing in Bandipur, and for completion of son's formal wedding programme (Rs. 1,500).
  - Rtn. Prakash & Upasana Regmi, and Rtn. Mahendra B. & Lalita Thapa for 'Happy Wedding Anniversary in absentia (ha.ba.).
  - Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha (Rs. 500), Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal (Rs. 500), Rtn. Piyush B. Bajracharya (Rs. 500), Mrs. Ramita Bajracharya (Rs. 500), Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang (Rs. 500), Rtn. Shiv P. Khemka (Rs. 500), Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary (Rs. 500), Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht (Rs. 1,000), Rtn. Bishnu P. Sigdel (Rs. 500), Rtn. Ramesh L. Maskay (Rs. 500), Rtn. Bijaya L. Shrestha (Rs. 1,000), for the wonderful RCP family outing to Bandipur and the celebrations of the Nepali New Year 2082.
  - Rtn. Jamuna K. Tamrakar for the above, 'Happy Landing' from Japan, and family gathering (Rs. 1,000).
  - Rtn. Jeevan K. Shrestha for the RCP family outing to his hometown of Bandipur where he had contributed to a bridge construction (Rs. 1,000).
  - Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey for the wonderful RCP family outing to Bandipur, celebration of the Nepali New Year 2082, excellent trek to Ghodepani, and the poem about him written by Rtn. Maheswari Bisht Rawal (Rs. 2,000).
  - Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha for initiating the wonderful RCP family outing to Bandipur with the celebrations of the Nepali New Year 2082 (Rs. 1,000).
  - Rtn. Preeti Khemka for chairing the RCP's special meeting with Bandipur traditional dress during the RCP family outing to Bandipur, and the celebrations of the Nepali New Year 2082 (Rs. 1,000).
  - Rtns. Matsyendra L. and Chandralekha Kayastha for 'Happy New Year 2082' (Rs. 2,000).
- 5. Other Contributions: Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht contributed Rs. 2,000 to the RCP Members' Fellowship Fund.
- 6. Rotary Information:
  - Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht talked about the RCP group's very interesting Ghodepani trip and suggested that RCP consider early planning for one annual national outing and one international outing during the RY 2025-2026.

- Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey briefed on the possible project supported by the RCP's KPAD Funds on organic vegetable farming as per the offer of venue in Bandipur by Rtn. Santa K. Shrestha. The available members of the KPAD committee looked at it and were very positive about its feasibility.
- 7. Guests from the local government, Gaupalika Chair and Vice Chair Mr. Surendra Thapa, and Ms. Panchamaya Gurung respectively, Mr. Bayash Gurung, Coordinator 'Visit Bandipur 2025 Year', PP Rtn. Madan K. Piya, and Mr. Amrit K. Maskey all appreciated and welcomed the RCP family's visit to Bandipur during 'Bandipur Visit Year 2025'. During their interventions, they highlighted the history and tourism development in Bandipur while ensuring the preservation of culture and arts. Bandipur known as a 'Pahad ki Rani' (mountain queen) town has seen tremendous progress. They highlighted the contributions of its concerned citizens/local inhabitants themselves to have Bandipur reach to its current state. They looked forward to further collaboration with the likes of Rotary/Rotary Club of Patan to continue Bandipur's journey of progress as a centre of tourism, both for religious and cultural purposes. It could simultaneously offer 'peace' and 'health' tourism. They also outlined several possible development projects for possible collaboration.

In terms of difficulties, need for a small fire brigade was highlighted to which the RCP mentioned of its ongoing attempts to make a survey of small fire brigades' possibility suitable for narrow lanes and high-rise buildings.

- 8. On behalf of the RCP team, President Rtn. Preeti Khemka gave a 'Vote of Thanks' to Rtn. Santa K. Shrestha supported by Rtn. Jeevan K. Shrestha for hosting the outing to Bandipur. Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey added his remarks with appreciation of progress of Bandipur as he had been involved with it since 'Visit Nepal 1998' responsible for product development.
- 9. Before the adjournment of the meeting, Secretary Rtn. Ganga R. Gautam announced: happy news contribution/pledges of Rs. 17,000 to the sunshine funds and Rs. 4,100 for attendance to the operational funds of the RCP, meeting attendance of 4 guests, 1 visiting Rotarian, 20 members, 7 spouses, and 8 make-ups.

## Rotary Information: Celebrate Paul Harris with Rotary

(Source: rotary.org)

Rotary founder Paul Harris was born in Racine, Wisconsin, USA, on 19 April 1868. Thanks to his extraordinary vision, to this day, Rotary members around the world remain dedicated to fellowship and community service.

Join us in celebrating the 157th anniversary of Paul Harris' birth by reading about his life, or by making a special gift to The Rotary Foundation.

In Memory: late Rtn. Sharada Prasai of the Rotary Club of Patan passed away on Thursday, 10 April 2025. The RCP grieves on her passing and condoles the bereaved family. The RCP observed a minute of silence